

2008 Winter Weather Fatalities

There were 21 winter storm deaths in 2008, up from 16 in 2007. This number is well below the 10-year average of 47. Texas recorded the highest death toll with 5, followed by California and Oklahoma with 3 each. The most hazardous place to be in the winter of 2008 was in a vehicle, 14, (21%) or outside, 6 (29%). In 2008, victims fell most heavily in the 20-29, 30-39 and 80-89 year old age ranges, each of which numbered 4 deaths (19%). More males, 13 (62%) than females, 8 (38%) died in winter storms.

2008 Winter Weather Fatalities by State and Location

State	IW	MH	OT	OU	PH	VE	Total
AR (Arkansas)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
CA (California)	0	0	0	1	0	2	3
ID (Idaho)	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
MN (Minnesota)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
MT (Montana)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
NM (New Mexico)	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
OK (Oklahoma)	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
SD (South Dakota)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
TX (Texas)	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
WA (Washington)	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Total	0	0	1	6	0	14	21
Percent	0.00	0.00	4.76	28.57	0.00	66.67	

2008 Winter Weather Fatalities by Age and Gender

	Female	Male	Unknown	Total	Percent
0 to 9	1	0	0	1	4.76
10 to 19	2	1	0	3	14.29
20 to 29	2	2	0	4	19.05
30 to 39	1	3	0	4	19.05
40 to 49	0	0	0	0	0.00
50 to 59	0	0	0	0	0.00
60 to 69	1	1	0	2	9.52
70 to 79	1	0	0	1	4.76
80 to 89	3	1	0	4	19.05
90 to --	0	0	0	0	0.00
Unknown	2	0	0	2	9.52
Total	13	8	0	21	
Percent	61.90	38.10	0.00		

Legend

LS -	Long Span Roof
MH -	Mobile/Trailer Home
OT -	Other
OU -	Outside/Open Areas
PH -	Permanent Home
VE -	Vehicle/Towed Trailer